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in 1871. She was associate editor of the *Iowa State Register* from 1871 to 1872, then published by Clarkson Brothers. On October 1, 1872, she was married to Albert W. Swalm. From 1874 to 1877 Mr. and Mrs. Swalm jointly edited the *Fort Dodge Messenger*, and from 1880 to 1897 they jointly published and edited the *Oskaloosa Herald*, weekly and daily. She was with Mr. Swalm in his consulship service at Montevideo, Uruguay, 1897-1903; Southampton, England, 1903-19, and Hamilton, Bermuda Islands, 1919-22. After Mr. Swalm's death in 1922 (see *ANNALS OF IOWA*, Vol. XIV, page 389) she lived most of the time with her daughter, Mrs. Nina Swalm Reed at Washington, D. C. Mrs. Swalm was a very talented and charming woman. Both as writer and public speaker she exhibited literary ability and the substantial qualities of a well informed person. Among the subjects on which she spoke before clubs, conventions, etc., were sociological and literary topics, newspapers, on the citizenship of women, and on her experiences in foreign countries. She was a force in supporting Charles Aldrich in founding the Historical Department of Iowa.

MAURICE CAHILL was born in Fairfax, Iowa, June 24, 1888, and died in Cedar Rapids, August 14, 1934. Burial was in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Cedar Rapids. He attended public school at Fairfax, was graduated from the Iowa College of Law, State University of Iowa, in 1910, and the same year began practice as a lawyer at Timber Lake, South Dakota. In 1913 he removed to Cedar Rapids and opened a law office there. He enlisted in the United States Navy January 3, 1918, was assigned to the U. S. S. *Trinidad* as a gunner, and served from April 10 to November 22 on the high seas, making five trips across the Atlantic. He received an honorable discharge December 22, 1918, and returned to his law practice in Cedar Rapids where he became the senior member of the firm of Cahill, Boland & Hines. He early became identified with the American Legion, was commander of his local post, was a member of the State Executive Committee, was a member of the national Executive Committee in 1925, and was state commander in 1930. He was active in civic affairs and in politics, was the Democratic candidate for county attorney in 1920 and in 1922, was the Democratic candidate for Congress from the Fifth District in 1928, losing to Cyrenus Cole, and was a delegate from the Fifth District to the Democratic National Convention in 1932.

MATHEW NELSON VOLDENG was born near Decorah, Iowa, January 21, 1863, and died at his home on the State Hospital grounds near Woodward, October 21, 1934. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery, Independence. His parents were Nels Lars and Anna Mathia (Christian) Voldeng. He was graduated from Luther College, Decorah, with the degree of A. B. in 1883, and from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago, with the degree of M. D. in 1887. He was an assistant physician at the Independence State Hospital for Insane in 1888-95, was

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